proposal was later approved by the Share Holders in the E.G.M. held on 02-04-2004 and also was approved by the Hon'ble High Court of Mumbai on 06-05-2004. There is no violation of Share Holders Agreement.

New scheme of BSNL in Rajasthan

732. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BSNL had announced a scheme in Rajasthan in October, 2004, under which applicants were offered to pay Re. 1/- towards booking of new telephone connections;

(b) if so, the date from which scheme became effective and how many connections were booked in the last week of October, 2004; and

(c) whether the BSNL staff was fully prepared to meet this huge public demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme was made effective from October 22, 2004. 4156 connections were booked in the last week of October, 2004.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Proposals from International Telecom Companies

733. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposals from major international telecom companies for setting up of manufacturing facilities in India;

(b) if so, the details of Government's decision in this regard; and

(c) the details of any incentives poposed by Government to promote such investments in manufacturing?